# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

TRANS-SPEC TRUCK SERVICE, INC. ) d/b/a TRUCK SERVICE, ) Plaintiff )	CIVIL ACTION NO. 04-11836-RCL
vs.	
CATERPILLAR INC. ) Defendant )	

# MOTION OF THE PLAINTIFF, TRANS-SPEC TRUCK SERVICE, INC., TO STAY ACTION ON CATERPILLAR INC.'S APPLICATION FOR AN AWARD OF COSTS

The plaintiff, Trans-Spec Truck Service, Inc. ("Trans-Spec"), hereby moves to stay action on *Caterpillar Inc.'s Application for an Award of Costs* ("Application"). As grounds for this motion, Trans-Spec states as follows:

- 1. Judgment entered in the above-captioned case on February 14, 2007.
- 2. Trans-Spec intends to file timely a Notice of Appeal.
- 3. Fed. R. Civ. P. 54(d) grants this Court discretion in setting a schedule for requesting fees, including the ability to permit claims for fees to be billed after resolution of an appeal. *DaimlerChrysler Corporation v. Commissioner, Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection*, 2001 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 18325, \*13 (D. Mass. 2001); see also Davet v. *Maccarone*, 973 F.2d 22, 26 (1st Cir. 1992).
- 4. Caterpillar Inc. ("Caterpillar") is not prejudiced by having its claim for fees in the amount of \$17,062.58 deferred until after resolution of the appeal.
- 5. Trans-Spec reserves its right to challenge the amount, reasonability, and propriety of the costs Caterpillar seeks. Trans-Spec also reserves its right to seek adversary submissions in accord with Fed. R. Civ. P. 43(e). <u>See</u> Fed. R. Civ. P. 54(d)(2)(C).

WHEREFORE, Trans-Spec respectfully requests that this Court stay action on Caterpillar's Application pending resolution of the appeal in this matter.

Respectfully submitted, TRANS-SPEC TRUCK SERVICE, INC. d/b/a TRUCK SERVICE By its Attorneys,

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## **REQUEST FOR ORAL ARGUMENT**

If the Court deems it necessary, Trans-Spec requests oral argument on this Motion.

### **LOCAL RULE 7.1 CERTIFICATE OF CONSULTATION**

Counsel for Trans-Spec hereby certifies that he has conferred with Caterpillar's counsel and attempted in good faith to resolve or narrow the issues presented in this motion.

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Christian G. Samito, hereby certify that on this 23rd day of February, 2007, I served a copy of the foregoing by mail and by causing a copy to be transmitted electronically to:

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